



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Madar, et al.

Serial No.: 10/788,993

Filed: February 27, 2004

Title: PHARMACEUTICAL
COMPOSITIONS AS INHIBITORS OF
DIPEPTIDYL PEPTIDASE-IV (DPP-IV)

Case No.: 6979USP1

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Group Art No.: 1626

Examiner: Shiao, Rei Tsang

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the:
Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on:

Date of Deposit: May 26, 2006

Tanya Parent S/26/06
Tanya Parent Date

Response to Restriction Requirement

In response to a restriction requirement set forth in an Office Action dated March 27, 2006, Applicants respectfully elect, with traverse, Group II, which is directed towards claims 1-24. Additionally, within these claims and pursuant to the Examiner's requirement, Applicants elect a species wherein the exact definition of each substituent on the base molecule (i.e., Formula I) is as follows: X is CH₂, R is cyano, R₁ is alkynyl, R₂ is hydrogen, and R₃ is heterocycle.

It is believed that the present application is in condition for allowance, which allowance is respectfully requested. Further, Applicants reserve the right to file divisional applications in the future in connection with the non-elected groups.

If any remaining issues exist or if there are any questions concerning the above, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,
Madar, et al.

ABBOTT LABORATORIES
Customer Number 23492
Telephone: (847) 935-8337
Facsimile: (847) 938-2623

Andrew M. Parial
Andrew M. Parial
Registration No. 50,382
Attorney for Applicants